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"PRAY modestly as to the things of this life; earnestly for what may be helps to your salvation; intensely for salvation itself, that you may ever behold God, love God. Practice in life whatever you pray for, and God will give it you more abundantly."

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You are scattering seed in a desert land, but "the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for you, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose," for He who has said, "I know thy works and thy labor, and thy patience" is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love; and "your work shall be rewarded."

For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

For God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Cor., 4:5-6.

1900 January Week of Prayer

Monday 1

LET us therefore draw near with boldness unto the Throne of Grace, that we may receive mercy, and find grace to help us in time of need. Heb. iv:16.

Tuesday 2

EVERY good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness neither shadow of turning.
James i:17

Wednesday 3

GOD'S own hand is pledged to guide me,
God's own strength my strength shall be;
I have God's own eye to watch me,
God's own ear to hear my prayer,
God's own word to give me orders,
God's own arm my loads to bear.
S. Patrick's Hymn.

Thursday 4

BY Him, therefore, let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. Heb. xiii:15.

Friday 5

AND the Spirit and the bride say Come,
And let him that heareth say Come,
And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. Rev. xxii:17.

Saturday 6

THE Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

And my God shall fulfill every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.
Phil. iv:6, 19.

Sunday 7

O LORD our God, other lords beside Thee have had dominion over us; but by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name.—I will run the way of Thy commandments, when Thou shalt enlarge my heart. Isa. xxvi : 13.—Ps. cxix : 32.

Monday 8

THOU art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

Fear not, O Land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things.
Joel ii : 11.

Tuesday 9

IF I forget thee O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

Wednesday 10

I WOULD not utter a word to cool the ardor of anyone in the foreign work; yet I confess that the home work does loom up before me with a painful and threatening magnitude which suggests the query whether it is reasonable to expect much expansion of the foreign service before the home field is more thoroughly mastered.

PROF. PHELPS.

Thursday 11

THEY shall be My people, and I will be their God. Ez. xi : 22.

The Lord will be the hope of His people.
Joel iii : 16.

Friday 12

SAVIOR, what wondrous love
Cares for Thine own,
Thy promised grace I'd prove,
Serve Thee alone.
Gladly I hear Thy call,
Jesus my Lord,
Pledge thee my all, and trust
Thy covenant word.

Saturday 13

EVERY nation of the earth has numerous representatives in this vast land of ours. The mightiest impulse Foreign Missions could possibly receive both in men and money would come from the conversion of every inhabitant in this country. China's best givers are already her American Christians. The furthering of Home Missions is not only the duty of the patriot for his own land, but is also the strategic thing for the world.

Sunday 14

Prayer for "Our Land."

O LORD thou art our father; we are the clay, and Thou our potter; and we all are the work of Thy hand. Be not wroth, very sore O Lord, neither remember iniquity forever: behold, see, we beseech Thee, we are all Thy people. Isa. lxiv : 8, 9.

Monday 15

That the Laws of God may be Better Known and Obeyed Throughout our Country.

WOULD God that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit upon them.
Num. xi : 29.

So will not we go back from Thee; quicken us, and we will call upon Thy name.
Ps. lxxx : 18.

Tuesday 16

For the President of the United States and for all Who are in Civil Authority in our Land.

COUNSEL is mine, and sound wisdom; I am understanding; I have strength. By me kings reign, and princes decree justice. Prov. viii : 14, 15.

Wednesday 17

For the Foreign Population Crowding to our Shores.

LIFT up thine eyes round about and see; they all gather themselves together, they come to Thee. Is. lx : 4.

And nations shall come to Thy light, and kings to the brightness of Thy rising.
Is. lx : 3.

Thursday 18

That the Sabbath may be Honored in our Land.

YE shall keep the Sabbath therefore, for it is holy unto you:

Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, holy to the Lord. Ex. xxxi : 14, 15.

Friday 19

For our Army and Navy.

EVERY character has an inward spring; let Christ be in it. Every action has a keynote; let Christ set it.

Saturday 20

For the Young Men in the New Places of our Land.

FOR I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of my mother.
He taught me also and said unto me,
Let thine heart retain my words;
Keep my commandments and live.
Prov. iv : 3, 4.

Sunday 21

Prayer that the Church of Christ May Realize its Opportunities and Responsibilities.

O LORD of life and love, take hold of us with unseen fingers till we stretch forward all together to life everlasting. Amen.

Monday 22

OUR money represents us to God. We may attend church and the missionary meeting regularly, sing psalms and read the Bible, give stirring exhortations, and offer long and gifted prayers; but if we spend more money for ourselves than for our Lord, He knows that we have no vital interest in the things of His spiritual kingdom. Jesus said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God."

Tuesday 23

That the Name of God May be Known Throughout the World.

THE Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken, and called the world from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof. Ps. l: 1.

Tell it out among the heathen, that the Lord is King. Ps. xcvi: 10.

Wednesday 24

THE hour draws near, howe'er delayed and late,
When at the eternal gate
We leave the words and works we call our own,
And lift void hands alone
For love to fill. Our nakedness of soul
Brings to that gate no toll;
Giftless we come to Him who all things gives,
And live because He lives.

WHITTIER.

Thursday 25

For Wisdom to Deal with the Problems which Confront us as a Nation.

HEARKEN unto my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people; and walk ye in all the way that I command you that it may be well with you.

Jer. vii: 23.

Friday 26

For Strength and Courage to Meet Honestly the Perils that Menace Our Country.

WHO through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, waxed mighty in war, turned to flight armies of aliens.

Heb. xi: 33, 34 (Rev. Ver.).

Saturday 27

A Litany for Deliverance from the Evils that Surround us.

FROM foes that would the land devour,
From guilty pride and lust of power,
From wild sedition's lawless hour,
From yoke of slavery.

From blinded zeal by faction led,
From giddy change, by fancy bred,
From poisoned error's serpent head,
Good Lord, preserve us free!

Sunday 28

GLORY to God for all His goodness, in all things and to all men, everywhere and forever. Amen.

Monday 29

That we may be Loyal to our Traditions.

OUR plea is not America for America's sake, but America for the world's sake. For, if this generation is faithful to its trust, America is to become God's right arm in His battle with the world's ignorance and oppression and sin.

Tuesday 30

For "True Christian Patriotism."

NAY, verily, patriotism is not a sordid affection. Patriotism is not a narrowing affection. Patriotism is not an unchristian affection. True Christian patriotism is concentrated, intensified, sanctified philanthropy.

Wednesday 31

OVER the morning dawn which ushers in a new century let us bend, like a Polar arch, this glorious motto: Union *in* Christ for a world *without* Christ. DR. T. L. CUYLER.

Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God forever and ever. Amen. Rev. 7 ; 12.

February

Thursday 1

The Indians

Prayer for the American Indians

THEY hunger for the Christian religion, and at one of their great councils years ago they delegated a chief to visit the Christians, and by formal act invited their ministers to teach the chiefs and people the new, the better religion. While something has been done, they hunger even yet for the gospel; and when we give them Christ we rightly solve the Indian question.

REV. J. W. SANBORN.

Friday 2

That our Rulers may be Just and Wise in Dealing with the Indian Problem.

TO pour Christianity into an Indian and then allow him to run wild on the reservation and feed him without any effort of his own—as well try to Christianize a white man and leave him to associate with, and find his pleasures in, the lowest vices. PIPE OF PEACE.

Saturday 3

IN 1646 John Eliot commenced his missionary work among the Indians. His Indian Bible was the first Bible published in America. He attributed every success to his Master working through him. Opposed by the Indian sachems, and commanded to desist from his effort to introduce the new religion, on peril of his life, he replied: "I am about the work of the great God, and my God is with me; so that I neither fear you nor all the sachems in the country. I will go on, do you touch me if you dare."

Sunday 4

Anadarko, Indian Territory (Mary Gregory Memorial)—Rev. S. V. Fait, Miss A. L. Handley, Miss J. Templeton.

GRANT to us blessed Lord, patience in waiting for Thee, and diligence in working for Thee, and that in doing both our hearts may be filled with such loving trust in Thee, that the waiting shall not seem long, nor the work hard; so that both shall be done to Thy glory. Amen.

Monday 5

Anadarko, I. T.—Miss Clara Huber, Miss Louise Thompson, Miss Hattie Carmine.

LEAD me, O Lord, in Thy righteousness; . . . make Thy way straight before my face.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.

Tuesday 6

Dwight, I. T.—Miss Annie R. Miller, Miss Mary L. Miller.

IF I can only place one little brick in the pavement of the Lord's pathway, I will place it there, that coming generations may walk thereon to the heavenly city.

PHILLIPS BROOKS.

Wednesday 7

Elm Spring, I. T.—Miss C. H. Montgomery, Miss M. C. Elliott, Miss S. S. Mathes.

MASTER, Thou workest with such common things—
Low souls, weak hearts—and hast to use,
Therefore, such common means and rescuings,
That hard we find it, as we sit and muse,
To think Thou workest in us verily.

Thursday 8

Muskogee, I. T. (Henry Kendall College)—Rev. A. G. Evans, Mr. F. J. Taylor, Mr. J. G. McMurtry, Mr. W. T. Conway.

THEY that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament.

Dan. xii : 3.

And they that understand among the people shall instruct many. Dan. xi : 33.

Friday 9

Muskogee, I. T.—Miss A. L. Crosby, Miss A. M. Robertson, Miss L. V. Parish.

BE perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

Saturday 10

Muskogee, I. T.—Miss Eva Huey.

THE God of peace make you perfect in every good work to do His will.

Heb. xiii : 20, 21.

Miss L. A. Sanson, Miss G. R. Kean.

LET us sing—"Thy Kingdom come."
Oh! the grandeur of the chorus!
Like the wild waves' thunder, come
Hallelujahs bursting o'er us.
Angels bending
Strike their harps—our songs are blending.

Sunday 11

Muskogee, I. T. (Henry Kendall College)—Miss H. R. Mathieson, Mrs. J. G. McMurtry.

FILL us, dear Lord, with all joy and peace in believing, and give to us ever increasing strength in obedience, that we may steadily press on to those good things which Thou hast promised to those which shall endure to the end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mrs. A. W. Robertson.

THE beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long. Ps. xxxvii: 23.

Monday 12

Muskogee, I. T.—Miss E. E. Taylor, Miss M. J. Kuhn, Miss B. B. Bonim.

AND truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.
1 John i: 2.

Tuesday 13

Nuyaka, I. T.—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robe, Miss M. F. Robe, Miss L. A. Robe.

BE strong to love, O Heart!
Love knows not wrong;
Didst thou love, creatures even,
Life were not long;
Didst thou love God in heaven,
Thou wouldst be strong.

Wednesday 14

Nuyaka, I. T.—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown, Miss L. A. McCracken.

HE that is faithful in a few things is a lord of cities. It does not matter whether you preach in Westminster Abbey or teach a ragged class *so you be faithful*. The *faithfulness* is all.

Thursday 15

Park Hill, I. T.—Rev. and Mrs. T. D. Duncan.

THE work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and confidence forever.
Is. xxxii: 17. (Rev. Ver.)

Friday 16

Tahlequah, I. T.—Mr. C. A. Peterson, Miss M. E. Trotter, Miss S. M. Williams.

BE strong to bear, O Heart!
Nothing is vain;
Strive not, for life is care,
And God sends pain;
Heaven is above, and there
Rest will remain!

Saturday 17

Tahlequah, I. T.—Miss L. M. Shafer, Miss C. Courtney, Miss L. C. Miller.

THE world is not a playground; it is a schoolroom. Life is not a holiday, but an education; and the one eternal lesson for us all is how better we can love.

THE Biblical idea of God's Fatherhood renders the very inequalities of men the basis of a higher justice. Just because you are endowed with a strong arm, the feeble brother claims your help. Just because you are richer than your brother, God holds you to account for his wants and feelings. Do you possess a better faith, a higher truth? All the more you are enjoined to enlighten, to cheer, to befriend him who is in doubt and despair. DR. K. KOHLER.

Sunday 18

Tucson, Arizona—Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Herndon, Miss F. Dilley, Miss Williamson.

O GOD, who hast loved us with unspeakable love, give us grace to value all things, joys and sorrows, successes and failures, only as a means of bringing us nearer Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 19

Tucson, Ariz.—Miss J. Ordway, Miss C. Strong.

THIS is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. Titus iii : 8.

Tuesday 20

Tucson, Ariz.—Miss A. Welch, Miss L. North, Miss F. Ostermeier, Miss A. Linquist.

ONE thought sublimely sweet
Where'er my wanderings be,
One star to guide my feet,—
The Lord hath need of me.
Dear Lord, I work and wait,
Where'er Thy footprints be;
When at Thy pearly gate,
Still, Lord, have need of me.

Wednesday 21

Tucson, Ariz.—Mr. J. G. Barton, Mr. W. L. Palmer.

THY shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy days, so shall thy strength be. Deut. xxxiii : 25.

Thursday 22

Sacaton, Ariz.—Mr. Edward Jackson.

THEY that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee; for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. Ps. 9 : 10.

Tama, Iowa—Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Reaugh.

The Lord is in the midst of thee. Zeph iii : 15.

Friday 23

Lapwai, Idaho—Miss Kate McBeth.

OF all the means placed by Providence within our reach, whereby we may lead souls to Him, there is one more blessed than all others—Intercessory Prayer.

Wolf Point, Montana—Mrs. C. D. King, Miss A. L. Miller.

Thou art my rock and fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake lead me and guide me. Ps. xxxi : 3.

Saturday 24

Laguna, N. M.—Miss E. P. Houston, Miss R. Mathes.

ACCEPTED in the beloved; in whom we have redemption through His blood; the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. Eph. i : 6, 7.

THE most effectual way of defending ourselves from enemies is by transforming them into friends; and it is by far the cheapest way. Christian missions which have transformed savage tribes into the peaceful peoples now inhabiting the Indian Territory have cost in money, and lives of men and women, in their whole history, a trivial expenditure in comparison with our inglorious Indian wars.

Sunday 25

Good Will, South Dakota—Rev. D. E. Evans, Mr. W. C. Ferver.

GUARD Thy servants, O Lord, with Thy perpetual protection; that we may serve Thee with an undistracted mind, and be quiet from fear of evil under Thy shelter; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 26

Good Will, S. D.—Miss K. Loudon, Miss J. Baskervill, Miss L. Cunningham.

THE Lord recompense Thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

Ruth ii: 12.

Tuesday 27

Good Will, S. D.—Miss A. Pond, Miss C. Pond, Miss M. E. Chambers, Miss R. Trinblin.

WARM, sweet, tender, even yet,
A present help is He,
And faith hath still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

J. G. WHITTIER.

Wednesday 28

Good Will, S. D.—Mr. W. J. Smith, Mr. F. Heinrichs.

IN the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water.

Isa. xxxv: 6, 7.

Spokane Indians, Washington—Miss H. Clark.

MY word that goeth forth out of My mouth shall not return unto Me void; but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Isa. lv: 11.

March

Thursday 1

Board of Home Missions

Prayer for the Evangelization of Our Own Land.

IF our country is to be saved it must be accomplished by Gospel agencies of our own land. No other country will help us. We must do this and more. We must help all other countries on the face of the earth by evangelizing the multitudes they send to us.

Friday 2

CHRIST also loved the Church and gave Himself for it.

Eph. v: 25.

Saturday 3

MAKE His praise glorious. Ps. lxvi: 2. This people have I formed for myself; they shall show forth my praise.

Isa. xliii: 21.

THREE things are necessary for missionary work. The opportunity, the men and the money. There is no lack of opportunity. It is overwhelming in its extent. There is no lack of men. The Lord has put the missionary spirit into our ministers. Only money is needed, and God's people have the money. Will they give it?

Sunday 4

Prayer for the Board of Home Missions.

HOW excellent is Thy loving kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings. Ps. xxxvi : 7.

Monday 5

For the Officers of the Board.

THE Lord is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup; Thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Ps. xvi : 5, 6.

Tuesday 6

For the Secretaries.

SO then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.

1 Cor. iii : 7.

Wednesday 7

That Funds may be Sufficiently Provided.

THE spirit of self-sacrifice
Stays not to count its price.
Christ did not of His mere abundance cast
Into the empty treasury of man's store;
The first and last
Gave until even he could give no more—
His very living.
Such was Christ's giving.

Thursday 8

That Prayer may Accompany and Follow Every Gift.

AS money is useless until it is spent, so it is powerless until sanctified. It is not the kingdom; it cannot bring the kingdom; it merely gives a chance for men filled with the Spirit to be used of the Spirit, and the gift of the Spirit comes by faith. As you give, pray. Not only, "Here is my prayer, and a dollar to help answer it;" but also, "Here is my dollar and a prayer to help."

Friday 9

For Home Mission Committees of the Presbyteries.

I MUST work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day. John ix : 4.
He that watereth shall be watered.
Prov. xi : 25.

Saturday 10

That the Interest of Our Ministers may be Deepened.

THE men who are to have a message to our time or to the times after ours, one that shall go home to human hearts and renovate human society, must be Spirit-inspired men; Spirit-filled men, as were the Founder and the follower at the head spring of Christian history.

MARCH in with the Gospel of Jesus Christ! The Presbyterian Church has the spirit for the march. It is in her blood. From the days when Brainard tramped a wilderness and measured it off for Christ and His church to these latter days of heroism where our pioneer missionaries marched to the Mississippi, to the Missouri, to the Rockies, crossed them, and flung the blue flag to the soft Pacific breezes, it is of the very genius of our Church to pre-empt the wilderness for the garden of the Lord.

REV. CHAS. THOMPSON, D. D.

Sunday 11

Prayer For Our Missionaries and Their Wives.

STRETCH forth, O Lord, Thy mercy over Thy servants, even the right hand of heavenly help; that they may seek Thee with their whole heart, and obtain what they rightly ask for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 12

For Missionary Churches.

OUR Blessed Saviour in giving the great Commission promised His presence to the Church unto the end of the world. Therefore let us earnestly beseech Him to make every mission station to be a center of light and a channel of life, and to give all Christian people a willing heart to sustain and forward the work of missions for the glory of the Triune God in the salvation of all men.

Tuesday 13

That our Church Societies may have more Consecration to the Work of Missions.

THE end and aim of all our work in our societies, and in the field, must be *the uplifting of Jesus Christ*. The one unfaltering purpose to which all our energies are devoted must be that the knowledge of God may cover this land as the waters cover the sea.

Wednesday 14

ALL cannot charge or lead the van,
All can be brave and true;
And where the Captain's standards wave
There's work for all to do;
And work from which thou mayst not flee,
Which must be done, and done by thee.
The Desired Haven.

Thursday 15

That All the Churches may be Deeply Interested in Missions.

GO forward, waste no money, pamper no self-indulgent applicants for your help, but keep back no preacher from the place that needs him; leave no rural region, no frontier settlement and no city street without the gospel, where you can find a man to preach it; and trust God and by God's grace trust us, that no debt shall trouble you.

Friday 16

For Synodical Missionaries and Pastors at Large.

NO weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord. Isa. 54 : 17.

Saturday 17

GOD's saints are shining lights; who stays
Here long, must pass
O'er dark hills, swift streams, and steep ways
As smooth as glass;
But these all night,
Like candles, shed
Their beams, and light
Us into bed.—HENRY VAUGHAN.

Sunday

18

Prayer that Missions may More and More Appeal to the Heroic and Self-Sacrificing.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of Thy truth we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may behold Thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succor all those who suffer for Thee our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

Monday

19

That the Way may be Opened to Take up New Work Promptly.

GOD holds us accountable for the spread of the Gospel throughout America.

It is no pastime, this fight against marshalled forces of darkness, and we shall never satisfy our Master, or win success, if we are half-hearted in the warfare.

Tuesday

20

Pray for All New Work Already Undertaken.

BUT even unto this day, . . . the vail is upon their heart.

Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. Now the Lord is that Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

2 Cor. iii : 15, 16, 17.

Wednesday

21

THE great principle on which God intends His Church to act, as clearly laid down in the Acts of the Apostles, is one of *continual expansion*.

Thank God the Christianity of to-day is coming nearer the world's needs. Live to help that on. Thank God men know better by a hair's breadth what religion is, what God is, who Christ is, where Christ is.

Thursday

22

May the Prayer of Our Great Intercessor be Fulfilled in His People.

AND for their sakes I sanctify myself that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.

John xvii : 19.

Friday

23

CHRIST also loved the Church and gave Himself for it . . . that He might present the church to Himself a glorious *church*, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Saturday

24

Prayer that "The Word" be Speedily Carried to the Islands of the Sea which may Become Ours.

SAVIOR, lo, the isles are waiting
Stretched the hand, and strained the sight.
For Thy Spirit now creating
Love's pure flame, and Wisdom's light;
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot and touch the tongue,
Till on earth by every creature
Glory to the Lamb be sung.

—A. C. COXE.

I BELIEVE it to be of the greatest importance that you should pray for missions. Who can tell how far already the blessed day of the Lord's return has been delayed by the unfaithful indolence of the Church? Each prayer, each self-denial you make, is indeed hastening on that blessed accomplishment, ending, so far, the tale of man's toil and sorrow and bereavement, and bringing in the glory of the Lord in the salvation of the elect. BISHOP WILBERFORCE.

Sunday 25

Prayer That There may be no Waste Places in Our Country.

ALMIGHTY God, Lord of the Harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to move the hearts of Thy people to provide the means to send forth more laborers into the waste places of our own land, so that the bounds of Thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 26

AS for Me, this is My covenant with them, saith the Lord; My spirit that is upon thee, and My words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and forever. Isa. lix : 21.

Tuesday 27

THAT thou mayest be a holy people unto the Lord thy God as He hath spoken. Deut. xxvi : 19.

The Pilgrim Fathers had a divine dream of a Christian Republic. They dedicated an unknown wilderness to the known and tried truths of the Bible "For the glory of God and the advancement of the Christian faith;" this was the lamp they held against the darkness.

Wednesday 28

YE people pour out your heart before Him. Ps. lxii : 8

God has given us the greatest, hopefulest mission field of all the world. This is a land set apart for saving effort—first of all, foremost of all, a land of work for Christ. . .

Thursday 29

BLESSED are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy. Matt. v : 7.

This land must save and educate and uplift the millions of its Negroes, lest they be a menace to our way and that they may help in all the progress of our Christian liberty.

This land must save the Indians—save their souls and bless their lives.

Friday 30

I CAME not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Mark ii : 17.

This land must save its Mormons. . . . There is only one sure way to meet and master the Mormon problem. It is by saving Mormon souls.

This land must save its Mexicans—its heathen, wherever it may find them. The work is all its own.

Saturday 31

THE people that do not know their God shall be strong. Dan. xi : 32.

This land was founded in the longing prayer of Christians: it was sealed by the blood of Christians; it is ruled now by the brains of Christians.

AND other sheep I have which are not of this fold, them also I must bring. John x : 16.

It is time to turn north—and west and south and southeast. God beckons us in the new opportunities in many states and in far away territories—from the Arctic Ocean to the Caribbean Sea. Not to march out is to confess failure.

April

THE schools under the care of the Board of Missions for Freedmen are found in eleven States and one Territory. Owing to want of funds teachers could be commissioned to but fifty-two schools for this year. Of these, 9 are in Virginia; 9 in North Carolina; 13 in South Carolina; 4 in Georgia; 2 in Alabama; 1 in Mississippi; 1 in Texas; 4 in Indian Territory; 5 in Arkansas; 2 in Tennessee; 1 in Kentucky, and 1 in Maryland.

Sunday 1

Thanksgiving for Blessings Received.

O THAT men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men. Ps. cvii : 8.

Monday 2

Scotia Seminary, Concord, N. C.—Mrs. D. J. Satterfield.

UNTO you that fear My name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings. Mal. iv : 2.

Tuesday 3

Scotia Seminary, Concord, N. C.—Three Teachers.

THE Lord that gave me this great happiness
Said to me, "Hasten thou to share again
What I have given thee with other men,
Whom in thy blessing I would also bless!"

Wednesday 4

Mary Allen Seminary, Crockett, Texas—Mrs. J. B. Smith.

THE glimmering glints of gold from a patience manifold
Shall make a pattern sweet and strange, and beauteous to behold;
And the white of purity shall shine, the tear-spots fade away,
As we don our Resurrection Robes upon that last great day.

Thursday 5

Mary Allen Seminary, Crockett, Texas—Five Teachers.

IN whom, though now ye see Him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable, and full of glory. 1 Peter i : 8.

Friday 6

Ingleside Seminary, Burkeville, Va.—Mrs. G. C. Campbell and Two Teachers.

OUR work may seem but a discord,
Though we do the best we can;
But others will hear the music
If we carry out God's plan.

Saturday 7

Barber Memorial Seminary, Anniston, Ala.—Mrs. S. M. Davis and Two Teachers.

DO *you* believe in God? If God be *God*, whatever He shall plan for us is *positively* and *surely* the best; and could our eyes at this moment see by the light of eternity, instead of time, we would always choose for ourselves, that which God has chosen for us. "Jesus said unto Him, what I do thou knowest not *now, but thou shalt* know hereafter."
John xiii : 7.

NOTE.—It is with regret that the Calendar must be sent to press before a correct list of the names of the Teachers of the Freedmen's Board—who are supported wholly or in part by the Women's Home Mission Societies—can be obtained.

THERE is reason to believe that the school work of the Board is not yet fully understood. While its highest aim is to reach *moral* nature, it by no means ignores what is called a "practical" education. We have no large plants of any kind, but instruction has been given in such industries as do not require large capital, and which will enable pupils when they leave school to earn a livelihood and supply the wants created by education. It is no small thing that over 1,800 girls are receiving instruction in sewing, many of whom did not know how to thread a needle or wear a thimble when they entered school, and more than 700 are being taught to cook and do general housework and receive instruction in the laundry.

Sunday

8

Prayer for More of the Spirit of Christ in Carrying on this Work.

NOT by might nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord.

Monday

9

Mary Holmes Seminary, West Point, Miss.—Mrs. H. N. Payne.

NOW the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. Rom. xv : 13.

Tuesday

10

Mary Holmes Seminary, West Point, Miss.—Nine Teachers.

THE Master speaks, in accents low;
Refuse Him not, nor say Him "No."
How much He bore for thee!—for *thee*,
The cross, the *shame*, the agony!
Thy love, dear Lord, constraineth me,
I'll not refuse, I'll follow Thee.

Wednesday

11

Mary Potter School, Oxford, N. C.—Mrs. G. C. Shaw.

BE thou an example of the believers, in word, in manner of life, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 1 Tim. 4 : 12.

Thursday

12

Mary Potter School, Oxford, N. C.—Two Teachers.

HE is not ashamed to call them brethren—Behold my mother and my brethren! Whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

Friday

13

Parochial Schools, New Berne, N. C.—Mrs. W. A. Byrd.

Victoria, N. C.—One Teacher.

REST is not quitting the busy career;
Rest is the fitting of self to its sphere.
'Tis loving and serving the highest and best;
'Tis onward unswerving, and that is true rest.

Saturday

14

Parochial Schools, Asheville, N. C.—Mrs. C. B. Dusenbury.

McConnellsville, S. C.—Mrs. A. A. Jones.

THOU shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark, and there I will meet with thee.

Easter Sunday 15

UNTO you that fear My Name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in His wings. Mal. iv : 2.

My covenant was with Him of life and peace.

How vast the great sun is that rules the day, how tiny the little dewdrop on the leaf! Yet the little globe holds and reflects the greater in perfect beauty. So can the humblest soul hold and reflect the Sun of Righteousness!

Monday 16

Brainard Institute, Chester, S. C.—Mrs. J. S. Marquis and One Teacher.

DID it never occur to you that if you do not hear God's answer to prayer it may be not because he is dumb, but because you are deaf; not because he has not an answer to give, but because you have not been listening for it? We are so busy with our service, so busy with our work, and sometimes so busy with our praying, that it does not occur to us to stop our own talking and listen if God has some answer to give us with "the still small voice."

Tuesday 17

Ferguson Academy, Abbeville, S. C.—Mrs. T. H. Amos and Two Teachers.

UPON thy seed a strict watch keep,
For what thou sowest thou shalt reap;
For each who watches, prays, believes,
May harvest yield, unnumbered sheaves
May rich fruits ripen flowers bloom,
And tares and thistles find no room.
Oh! Father, watch each vine and field
And may we claim much precious yield.

Wednesday 18

J. B. Kendall School, Sumter, S. C.—Rev. J. C. Watkins and Two Teachers.

THEY that be teachers shall shine as the brightness of the firmament.

Dan. xii : 3.

Thursday 19

Haines Normal and Industrial, Augusta, Ga.—Miss L. C. Laney, Miss M. C. Jackson.

WE will practice reliance upon God. We will acquaint ourselves with Him and be at peace. We will learn the habit of prayer; living by the day, and doing each day the work that lieth nearest, and doing it heartily as unto the Lord. It is, indeed, little that each one of us can do, but oh, it is so important that every one of us shall do that little.

Friday 20

Parochial School, Sumter, S. C.—Mrs. M. J. Seabrook.

SOWER divine!
Quit not this wretched field
Till Thou hast made it yield;
Sow Thou by day and night,
In darkness and in light,
Stay not Thy hand, but sow;
Then shall the harvest grow.
Sower divine,
Sow deep this heart of mine!

Saturday 21

McClelland High School, Newnan, Ga.—Mrs. B. L. Glenn.

AND the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. II Tim. ii : 2.

WE have *among* us 8,000,000 fellow-citizens who are made to feel that they are not yet *of* us. Suffering, which if felt by any other race would call loudly for help, is endured in silence by this people, and they toil on and suffer, and if need be, die with few to pity or relieve.

WHAT if this whole nation of Africo-Americans were brought to Christ, and evangelized, civilized, educated? What? Africa could be supplied with negro missionaries from east to west, from north to south. Would such an undertaking be unworthy such a nation as ours?

Sunday 22

Prayer for Wisdom in Planning Work for the Coming Season.

WE beseech Thee so to direct, sanctify and govern us in our present work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached. Amen.

Monday 23

Parochial School, Blacksburg, S. C.—Rev. T. A. Thompson.

AS for thee, stand thou here by Me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them.

Deut. v : 31.

Tuesday 24

Parochial Schools, Ridgeway, Va.—Miss S. J. Harris.

Birmingham, Ala.—One Teacher.

Nottaway, Va.—One Teacher.

LIKE a blind spinner in the sun,
I tread my days;
I know that all the threads will run
Appointed ways;
I know each day will bring its task,
And, being blind, no more I ask.

Wednesday 25

Swift Memorial, Rogersville, Tenn.—Mrs. W. H. Franklin.

THE Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Josh. i : 9.

Thursday 26

Holbrook Street School, Danville, Va.—Mrs. W. E. Carr and One Teacher.

Allen Memorial, Jetersville, Va.—Mrs. S. J. Neil.

THEY that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever. Daniel xii : 3.

Friday 27

Richard Allen Institute, Pine Bluff, Ark.—Mrs. Lewis Johnson and Two Teachers.

Little Rock, Ark.—One Teacher.

AS God leads I am content;
He will take care.
All things by His will are sent,
That I must bear.
To Him I take my fear,
My wishes while I'm here;
The way will all seem clear
When I am there!

Saturday 28

Cotton Plant Academy, Cotton Plant, Ark.—Mrs. F. C. Potter and Three Teachers.

HE giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Isa. lx : 29.

WE thank God for the great light of letters that has come to us. It was and is now greatly needed, but there is to us another need, and one not less in any particular, the knowledge of how to make homes, Christian homes, and an appreciation of home and home training.

LUCY C. LANEY.

NOT thousands, but millions of these people are waiting for the outstretched hand of Christianity, the touch of Jesus, the contact of intelligent, sympathetic helpfulness with their need; where can this touch be given, and where felt as in the home? MISS M. G. BURDETTE.

CHRISTIAN education is the solution of all the difficulties of the so-called Negro problem, but alas it is dealt out so sparingly and grudgingly, that the process is painfully slow. Education, these people mean to have and are getting; whether or not the Christian element is included, rests with the Christian people of our land.

Sunday 29

Prayer that Christians may Heed the Macedonian Cry, "Come Over and Help Us."

AND when he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them. Acts xvi: 10,

Monday 30

Lukfata, Ind. Ter.—Rev. J. H. Sleeper. Oak Hill School, Clear Creek, Ind. Ter.—One Teacher.

I, THE Lord, have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a light of the Gentiles. Isa. xlii: 6.

May Tuesday 1 Woman's Work

Prayer for the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

NO longer is woman's part in the world's welfare simply passive; there is need for action. For just the work she can do, the world has waited long, and now for just such times as these in which we live she has come to the Kingdom. Is has needed the widespread, permeating fragrance of her sympathy, but somehow the alabaster box long remained unbroken. It has needed the active efforts which she could so effectually exert towards its conversion to Christ.

Wednesday 2

The Officers.

LORD Thou wilt ordain peace for us, for Thou also hast wrought all our works in us. Isa. xxvi: 12.

Thursday 3

The Office Workers.

SANCTIFIED and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work. 2 Tim. ii: 21.

Friday 4

The Treasury.

AS good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter iv: 10.

Saturday 5

The Young People's Department.

I LOVE them that love Me; and those that seek Me early shall find Me. Prov. viii: 17.

WE do well to note the educative influence of our mission literature. If we make a thorough study of our mission fields, our knowledge of places and people and countries will surpass that of the literary clubs for women; no subject broadens and deepens the mind more than the subject of missions.

Sunday 6

Prayer for the Magazines and their Editors.

OH! Almighty God, who hast instructed Thy holy church with heavenly doctrine, give us grace that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of Thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 7

The Literature.

THEN sow, for the hours are fleeting,
And the seed must fall to-day;
And care not what hands shall reap it,
Or if you shall have passed away
Before the waving cornfields
Shall gladden the sunny day.

Tuesday 8

The Advisory Committee.

SOME high or humble enterprise of good
Contemplate, till it shall possess thy mind,
Become thy study, pastime, rest and food,
And kindle in thy heart a flame refined.

Still do thou good; but for His holy sake
Who died for thine; fixing thy purpose ever
High as His throne no wrath of man can shake.
So shall He own thy generous endeavor.

Wednesday 9

All Standing Committees.

NOW, and at no other time, in this same nineteenth century lies our work. Let us thank God that we are here now, and joyfully try to understand *where* we are, and what our work is *here*. CHAS. KINGSLEY.

Thursday 10

Synodical and Presbyterial Officers.

MY God shall supply all your need.
Phil. iv: 9.

How many a woman has developed unsuspected powers and the ability to do that which she never dreamed of! It has been a great revelation to her that what she needed was not more talents, but simply to *employ* her talents—to unfold the napkin which hid them.

Friday 11

Auxiliary Societies and their Officers.

OH woman hearts that keep the days of old
In living memory, can you stand back
When Christ calls? Shall the Heavenly Master lack
The serving love, which is your life's fine gold?

Do you forget who bade the morning break,
And snapped the fetters of the iron years?
The Saviour calls for service, from your fears
Rise, girt with faith, and work for His dear sake.

Saturday 12

Young People's Societies and Mission Bands.

THEY go from strength to strength; every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.
Ps. lxxxiv: 7.

O glorious thought! that we are under a Father's education, and that *He* has promised to develop us, and to make us go on from strength to strength.

Sunday 13

Prayer for Women's Foreign Missionary Societies.

BLESSED are ye that sow beside all waters. Is. xxxii : 20.

O Lord be gracious unto us; we have waited for Thee; be Thou their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble. Is. xxxiii : 2.

Monday 14

For Mission Schools of the Woman's Board.

AND they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the Lord, to deliver thee. Jer. i : 19.

Christ's command, "Go, preach," is not more obligatory on man, than His command, "Go, teach," is on woman. Both the work on the home and the foreign field attest that very often the Christian teacher is needed as the forerunner, even of the Christian preacher.

Tuesday 15

The School Committee of the Board of Home Missions.

I WILL set up shepherds over them which shall feed them. Jer. xxiii : 4.

Mount up the heights of wisdom
And crush each error low;
Keep back no words of knowledge,
That human hearts should know.

Wednesday 16

The Superintendent of School Work.

THUS saith the Lord of Hosts, Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets. Zec. viii : 9.

Thursday 17

The Synodical Missionaries (With Over Sight of Mission Schools).

THE Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night: he took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people. Ex. xiii : 21, 22.

Friday 18

Ministers and Evangelists. (Under Care of the Woman's Board.)

FOR not like kingdoms of the world
The holy Church of God;
Though earthquake shocks are threatening her,
And tempests are abroad;
Unshaken as eternal hills, immovable she stands,
A mountain that shall fill the earth
A house not made with hands.

Saturday 19

For Bible Readers.

IN simple trust like theirs who heard
Beside the Syrian Sea
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us like them without a word
Rise up and follow Thee.

Sunday 20

Prayer for the General Assembly.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; we beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 21

Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

PUT ye on the Lord Jesus Christ.
Rom. xiii : 4

Fill yourself with the spirit of Christ; with the need for your individual work, and number yourself among the many women who are now wheeling into line for active effort in support of the agencies which are working for the evangelization of this land. May it not be for this very purpose—for this very hour—that you have come to the kingdom?

Tuesday 22

Missionaries at the Annual Meeting.

THE harvest dawn is near,
The year delays not long,
And he who sows with many a tear
Shall reap with many a song.

Wednesday 23

The Business Conferences at the Annual Meeting.

STAND fast in one spirit, with one mind, striving together for the faith of the gospel.
Phil. i : 27.

Woman's prayers are more potent than ballots. We shall find rights enough, and power enough, and place enough in working and praying and giving to increase the influence of the Christian home, the Christian Church, the Christian school; and the sphere and opportunity are wide as the world.

Women are the reserve power of the Churches. The last score of years has seen a forward movement all along the line, and the reserves have been brought to the front.

Thursday 24

For Superintendents and Teachers of Boarding Schools.

LORD of the living harvest
That whitens o'er the plain,
Whose angels soon shall gather
Their sheaves of golden grain,
Accept these hands to labor,
These hearts to trust and love;
And deign with them to hasten
Thy kingdom from above.

Friday 25

For Boarding and Industrial Schools.

AND the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth. John i : 14.

Saturday 26

For Day Schools.

HARK! unnumbered voices crying,
"Save us or we droop and die;"
Succor, bear the faint and dying,
On the wings of mercy fly.
Lead them to the crystal fountain,
Gushing with the streams of life,
Guide them to the sheltering mountain,
For the gale with death is rife.

Sunday 27

Prayer for All who have Enlisted in Service for the Master.

O GOD of mercy, be present to Thy servants who everywhere confide in Thee: and through all the way they have to go, be Thou their guide and companion. May all things turn out happily and prosperously for them, in time and in eternity. We ask it for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday 28

For the Teachers of Day Schools. (With their Missionary Duties.)

WHERE'ER the pathway lead,
He gives to me no helpless, broken reed,
But his own hand, sufficient for my need.
So where he leads me I can safely go,
And in the blest hereafter I shall know
Why in His wisdom He hath led me so.

Tuesday 29

For Churches and Families Connected with the Mission Schools.

MY spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.
—The battle is not yours, but God's.
The Lord saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the Lord's.

Wednesday 30

For Missionary Speakers of the Woman's Board.

THERE are some souls in the world who have the gift of finding joy everywhere, and leaving it behind them when they go. Their influence is an inevitable gladdening of the heart. They give light without meaning to shine. Their bright hearts have a great work to do for God. FABER.

Thursday 31

Pray Earnestly for the Four Hundred Thousand Presbyterian Women in Our Land who are not Actively Interested in Missionary Work.

THE Master calls for reapers,
And shall He call in vain?
Shall sheaves lie there ungathered
And waste upon the plain?

June

Friday 1

The New West and Alaska

THEN called I on the name of the Lord. Ps. cxvi: 4.

At this hour a mountain of difficulty, distress or necessity may be in our way, and natural reason sees no path over it, or through it, or round it. Let faith come in, and straightway the mountain disappears and becomes a plain.

Saturday 2

Prayer for The New West.

SURELY much of our national history, and probably its most brilliant chapters, will be made between the Mississippi river and the Pacific ocean. Thither a vast multitude of the most enterprising sons and daughters of the older States are flocking; hosts of sturdy emigrants are seeking homes in that attractive land. If the population of our entire country will double within the life of the next generation, as it has done in the past thirty years, surely the new West will receive more than its proportion of the increase, estimated upon either its present population or its geographical extent. In the light of these probabilities, it is an appalling fact that more than ninety out of every one hundred of its inhabitants do not even profess a hope in Christ.

NO one having a full knowledge of the situation will assert that the country is over-churched, or even adequately churched.

If the Church is to catch up with the country and then double her forces, as the country doubles her population, we shall need to organize a church and add a minister to our forces each working day in the year for thirty years.

Added to this it must be remembered that the New West is the home of the Indians, the Mexicans and the Mormons—not to reckon our far away Alaska land, where dwell a distinct and interesting population of our Nation's wards.

Sunday 3

Prayer for Our Missionaries in Far Away Alaska.
Pt. Barrow—Rev. R. N. Marsh, Rev. S. R. Spriggs.

REJOICING, O Lord, in the richness of Thy gifts to us, we pray Thee to help us to give unto our fellow-mortals such sympathy and kindly love as may lighten their afflictions, for the merciful Jesus' sake. Amen.

He casteth forth His ice like morsels; who can stand before His frost? He sendeth out His word and melteth them. Ps. cxlvii : 17, 18.

Monday 4

Chilcat (Haines P. O.)—Rev. W. W. Warne.

CONSOLATION in Christ, comfort of love, fellowship of the Spirit. Phil. ii : 1.

Tuesday 5

Fort Wrangel—Rev. H. P. Corser.

TAKE, my brethren, the prophets who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. Jas. v : 10.

Wednesday 6

Hydah (Jackson P. O.)—Mrs. C. D. Taylor.

THE Lord delighteth in thee. Is. lxii : 4.

Fear not; for I have redeemed thee. Is. xliii : 1.

Thursday 7

Hoonah—Rev. W. M. Carle.

WORK—make clear the forest tangles
Of the wildest stranger-land.

Pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands without wrath and doubting. 1 Tim. ii: 8.

Friday 8

Hoonah—Mrs. J. W. McFarland.

SPEAK to me by name, Oh Master,
Let me know it is to me,
Speak that I may follow faster
With a step more firm and free.

Saturday 9

THE Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save, He will rejoice over thee with joy.

THE Presbytery of Alaska was organized and held its first meeting September 14, 1884. It reported to the General Assembly in 1897, eight churches, eight hundred and forty communicants, seven hundred and thirty-five Sunday school scholars.

Sunday

10

St. Lawrence Island—Dr. F. H. Gambell.

JEHOVAH-NISSI. The Lord my banner. Ex. xvii : 15.

Just as God leads, I onward go,
Oft amid thorns and briars seen,
God does not yet His guidance show,
But in the end it shall be seen
How, by a loving Father's will,
Faithful and true He leads me still.

Monday

11

Juneau—Rev. W. S. Bannerman,
Rev. L. F. Jones.

GODLY people are as showers that come at God's bidding without man's leave or license. They work for God whether men like it or not; they no more ask human permission than the rain does. Lord make us thus boldly prompt and free in Thy service wherever our lot is cast.

Tuesday

12

Juneau—Fred. L. Moore.

IF any of you lack wisdom let him ask of God.

Jas. i : 5.

Wednesday

13

FISHER of men, the blest,
Out of the world's unrest,
Out of sin's troubled sea
Taking us, Lord, to Thee,
With choicest fish, good store,
Drawing Thy nets to shore,
Lead us, O Shepherd true,
Thy mystic sheep, we sue!

Thursday

14

Sitka—Rev. M. D. McClelland.

AND though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still.
His Kingdom is forever.

MARTIN LUTHER.

Friday

15

Sitka—Mr. Wm. A. Kelly.

THE Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Ps. cxxi : 8.

Saturday

16

O PATH where Christ hath trod,
O way that leads to God,
O Word, abiding aye,
O endless Light on high,
O glorious Life of all
That on their Maker call,
Christ Jesus, hear!

Sunday

17

Prayer for the Sitka Training School and Home, and the Girls and Boys Claiming its Protection.

BLESS, O Lord, all those who are devoted to serve Thee in works of charity, in the training of the young and reclaiming the fallen, those who instruct the ignorant, and lead into the Father's House them that are astray. Accept their labors, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday

18

Sitka.—Dr. B. K. Wilbur.

AND Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth His hand and touched him, and saith unto him, "be thou clean"
Mark, i: 41.

Tuesday

19

Sitka.—Miss Esther Gibson.

WHOSOEVER shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water, only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward. Matt. x: 42.

Wednesday

20

Sitka.—Miss S. Davis, Miss A. M. Sheets, Miss S. Martindale, Matrons.

WHEN tenderly beside some stricken child,
Thou standest, and dost speak of Jesus mild,
Dost whisper of His patience and His death;
It seems to thee as if some quickening breath
Of God's rich power in thine own words might be,
Know, faithful one, that then I pray for thee.

Thursday

21

Sitka.—Mrs. E. C. Heiger, Mrs. M. A. Saxman, Teachers.

* * * teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Col. iii: 16.

Friday

22

Sitka.—Miss O. Hilton.

I THANK Thee, Lord, that here our souls
Though amply blest,
Can never find although they seek
A perfect rest,
Nor ever shall, until they lean
On Jesus' breast.

MISS PROCTOR.

Saturday

23

Sitka.—Mrs. M. K. Paul.

I THINK if thou couldst see.
With thy dim, mortal sight,
How meanings, dark to thee.
Are shadows hiding light,
Truth's efforts crossed and vexed,
Life's purpose all perplexed,
I think that they would seem
All clear, and wise and bright.

Sunday 24

Sitka—Mr. J. E. Gamble, Mr. G. J. Beck, Mr. A. C. Carty, Mr. H. George.

MAY Thy perpetual gifts, O Lord, be confirmed to Thy faithful servants, that, in receiving them, they may seek Thee, and in seeking Thee may endlessly receive them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 25

Saxman - Rev. E. Marsden.

THAT Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth and length and depth and height; and to know the love of Christ.

Eph. iii: 17, 18, 19.

Tuesday 26

Skaguay—Rev. N. B. Harrison.

THE lips of the righteous feed many; The tongue of the just is as choice silver. Prov. x: 21, 20.

Wednesday 27

THANK God for His brave servants who are ready to enter the "Open doors."

Faith is a grasping of Almighty Power;
The hand of man laid on the arm of God;
The grand and blessed hour
In which the things impossible to me,
Become the possible, O Lord, through Thee.
A. E. H.

Thursday 28

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, Presbyterial Missionary.

WHO then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his Lord shall make ruler over His household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his Lord, when He cometh, shall find so doing. Luke xii: 42, 43.

Friday 29

Mrs. J. H. DeVore, Missionary Speaker.

MY presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest. Ex. xxxiii: 14.

Saturday 30

THANK God for the souls already won to Him through the missions by "The Frozen Sea."

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host;
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia. Amen.
REV. W. W. HOW.

NEVER were so many doors open, waiting for the messengers of "the beautiful feet" to enter with the message of life and liberty and salvation. Surely every soldier of Jesus Christ throughout our land will rise to the greatness of these needs, believe it to be a high honor to take part in this crusade, and respond to the rousing call of the Church, echo of the call of her Divine Head, by doing his utmost to help in sending these reinforcements to occupy promptly the openings for widespread evangelization.

1900 July Results of the Year.

THE year's field statistics cover the following:

	Schools.	Teachers.	Pupils.
Alaskans	11	28	634
Indians	18	88	1,418
Mexicans	24	48	1,316
Mormons	29	66	1,728
Mountaineers	36	111	3,085
Foreigners	3	6	230
	121	347	8 411

Our Societies have also maintained 12 schools and 60 teachers under the care of the Freedmen's Board.

Sunday 1

Prayer for Humble Acknowledgment of all His Mercies, and that in Success God may ever have the Glory.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake.
Psalms cxv: 1.

Monday 2

Prayer for the Young Converts Returning to their Homes.

FEAR not, neither be faint hearted.
Is. vii: 4.

In the Lord shall be thy confidence.
Prov. iii: 26.

Tuesday 3

THE Lord is long suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
2 Pet. iii: 9.

Wednesday 4

OH, that the "missionary revival" might express itself in all our pulpits, in all our churches, in all Christian hearts by earnest, sustained, prevalent intercession for the immediate and continuous outpouring of the Holy Spirit throughout the world! "Ye that are the Lord's remembrancers, take ye no rest, and give Him no rest till He establish and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

Thursday 5

Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer in the Lifting of the Board's Debt.

AGAIN we have the joy of closing the accounts of the year with a balance on the right side of the ledger, for "they came everyone whom His spirit made willing and brought the Lord's offering to the work."

Friday 6

WE need the increase of men and money, but in the philosophy of the Kingdom it is all comprised in the disciples' prayer, "Lord, increase our faith."

Saturday 7

IT is prayer, prayer—prayer for the Spirit—that we need. Such prayer as was offered by that little band that waited at Jerusalem for the promise of the Father.

Missionary work has been consecrated by prayer, and has been strengthened and developed from generation to generation by prayer, and it is by prayer as one of the chief agencies that it must be carried on to perfected and happy consummation.

THE total receipts for the year are $330,055.39. Of this amount $48,275.71 was designated for the Board of Freedmen.

1900 July Results of the Year

THE Woman's Board maintains the mission schools, supports the missionary teachers and Bible Readers, together with thirty-one ordained ministers and evangelists, erects and equips the necessary buildings, with the sole purpose of developing Christian character and fastening the nail of *the church* in a sure place.

Out of the patient, devoted work of the year our missionaries report 700 conversions; the churches growing out of this mission work increased to 76.

Sunday 8

Prayer to Inflame the Missionaries with Zeal and Love; to Grant them Guidance and Protection; to Send Forth many who are Wise to Win Souls.

NOW the Lord of Peace, Himself, give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all. 2 Thess. iii: 16.

Monday 9

Prayer that Individual Christians may Press Forward in His Service, both in Doing and in Giving.

WE can all do more than we have done,
And not be a whit the worse;
It never was loving that emptied the heart,
Nor giving that emptied the purse.

Tuesday 10

THOUGH He slay me, yet will I trust in Him. Job, xiii: 15.

Looking back over the year that is past, we cannot but recognize that our Father's God has been our God; and as we have trusted Him before and have not been "confounded," so will we trust Him for the vast and unknown Future.

Wednesday 11

THE spirit of missions is the spirit of sympathy, of self-denial and of service, which is only another way of saying that it is the spirit of Christ. The Church must have the spirit of missions, because it cannot otherwise be His Church. His Church which is His body, must be a living organism, not a withered, lifeless trunk. It can maintain its life only by seeking to extend it into the lifeless world. T. C. SMITH, D.D.,
—in Herald and Presbyter.

Thursday 12

Prayer that We all May so Live that we May at the Last Hear the Welcome Plaudit.

THE Lord said not, "Well done, good and successful servant," but "Well done, good and *faithful* servant."
NEWMAN HALL.

Friday 13

THE Lord shall command the blessing upon thee, in all that thou settest thine hand unto. DEUT. xxviii: 8.

With the dawn of the twentieth century we should feel that a true Americanism is gaining ground everywhere. An appropriate watchword for that century is this: "Let Greater be also better America."
DR. JOHN H. BARROWS.

Saturday 14

O CHURCH, our risen Master waits with a benediction on His lips, "Peace be unto you." Let us claim it gladly. 'Tis our right. But let us not forget that he who claims this peace must also share His service, for instantly He adds, "As the Father hath sent Me, even so I send you." Let us go or send quickly to tell the news to those who are dying because they know not that He lives.

Sunday 15

Thanksgiving for the Heroic Self-Denial of our Teachers on the Several Fields.

GRANT us, O Lord, to enter on the service of our Christian warfare, ever fortified by Thee, that as we are to fight against spiritual foes, Thou, O Captain of our salvation, will evermore help and defend us, for Thine own sake, O Jesus! world without end. Amen.

Monday 16

BLESSED are they that do His commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. I Jesus have sent Mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. Rev. xxii: 14, 16.

Tuesday 17

IT is no longer the Christ, Son of man, Christ poor, Christ clothed in feeble flesh, Christ in humiliation; it is Christ exalted to glory, Christ all-powerful, Christ one with the Father and the Spirit, . . . whom thou really hast in thee, if thou hast within thee the Holy Spirit. TOPHEL.

Wednesday 18

I HAVE set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoiceth.

Thursday 19

OH royal children! take your heritage
Of love with all its high awards:
"All things are yours,—Paul, Cephas, life or death,—
And ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's."

Friday 20

IF Jesus needed prayer, being what He was, how must we need it, being what we are. We may lay it down as an elemental principle in religion that no large growth in holiness was ever gained by one who did not *take time* to be often and long *alone with God*.

PHELPS.

Saturday 21

CHRIST'S surrender was measureless. So must be ours. If sacrifice is needed take one deep breath from the Garden of Gethsemane and go on.

THERE is more than one unwritten story of true heroism associated with the little adobe school house on the Mexican plaza or with some lonely station among the Indians or Mormons. All honor to our teachers on every field, thus honored by the Master Himself in the conversion of so many scholars as stars in their crown of rejoicing. The grace that sends and holds to untiring work, such representatives on the field, should move to more generous and cheerful support the sympathetic hearts at home. Shall we hear the stately stepping of the Lord about these stations, and not go forth to meet Him there? We believe He calls us into even larger places.

Sunday 22

Prayer that God may Give us Sturdy Trust and Firm Courage.

O LORD, let Thy mercy be upon us as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee I have trusted; let me never be confounded. Amen.

Monday 23

NEED then is great, and Thou dost know
Of places that I alone can fill,
To carry out Thy wise, true will;
Now quick to meet a subtle foe,
Both eye and hand must be;
Strong they for any action, whose orders come from Thee.

Tuesday 24

BETTER than the conscience that drives, is the love that draws to the work of missions. Once brought to the white heat of passion for souls, we are henceforth weary with forbearing, and cannot stay in apathetic idleness and silence; the inward fire must have vent. It is no longer hard to give, but hard to withhold; and, better than the most princely gifts of money, we shall give ourselves a living sacrifice.

DR. PIERSON.

Wednesday 25

FOR years, no wisdom, no renown,
Only my life, can I lay down;
Only my heart, Lord to Thy throne
I bring, and pray
That child of Thine I may go forth,
And spread glad tidings through the earth,
And teach sad hearts to know Thy worth.
Lord, here am I.

Thursday 26

OUR Divine Shepherd never allows the flock to decide as to the lot in which they shall be pastured, or over what cliffs He may conduct them. More than once weakness stumbles and falls, but He lifts us up and His grace sets us on our feet again.

J. L. C.

Friday 27

BE thou favorable unto me, O merciful Jesus, sweet and gracious Lord, and grant to me Thy poor needy creature, sometimes at least in this holy communion to feel if it be but a small portion of Thy hearty love, that my faith may become more strong, my hope in Thy goodness may be increased, and that charity once perfectly kindled within me, after the tasting of this heavenly manna, may never decay.—IMITATION OF CHRIST.

Saturday 28

THE end shall crown the work,
Work on, then, to the end;
Tho' oft the way is dark,
And clouds portend.
The work is ours to do;
Enough for our faint sight;
The end God knows. Press on;
The crown—is light. BOWKER.

July

Results of the Year

Sunday 29

"O HOLY Father, who hast led thy children
In all the ages, with the fire and cloud,
Through seas dry-shod; through weary wastes bewildering:
To Thee, in reverent love, our hearts are bowed.

O Triune God, with heart and voice adoring,
Praise we the goodness that has crowned the day;
Pray we, that Thou wilt hear us, still imploring
Thy love and favor, kept to us alway."

Monday 30

"The time is short.
If thou wouldst work for God, it must be now;
If thou wouldst win the garland for thy brow,
Redeem the time.

Fold not thine hands!
What has the pilgrim of the cross and crown
To do with luxury or couch of down?
On, pilgrim, on!"

Tuesday 31

O MIGHTY River! Strong Eternal Will
Wherein the streams of human good and ill
Are onward swept, conflicting to the sea.
The world is safe because it floats in Thee.

HENRY VAN DYKE.

August

The Foreigners

Wednesday 1

"FOR the whole world before Thee is as a little grain of the balance, yea as a drop of the morning dew that falleth down upon the earth. But Thou hast mercy upon all. For Thou lovest all the things that are."

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice, and all uncharitableness: good Lord deliver us. Amen.

Thursday 2

THERE is a tie 'twixt thee and me,
All strangers though our kindred be,
Of differing climes of varying speech,
The blood of Christ was shed for each;
That blood which cleanseth from all sin,
Makes sinners everywhere akin.

Friday 3

AH, so may all be free!
Then shall the world grow sweet at core and sound,
And, moved in blest and ordered circuit see
The bright millennial sun rise fair and round,
Heaven's day begin, and Christ, whose service is
Freedom all perfect rule the world as His.

Saturday 4

THUS saith the Lord of Hosts, Behold I will save My people from the east county, and from the west country; and I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God in truth, and righteousness.

Zec. viii: 7, 8.

THE government began about the year 1820 to list our immigrants; since then we have received over fifteen million foreigners; over eleven million having arrived since 1860.

Sunday 5

Prayer for the Stranger Within Our Gates.

O SUN of Righteousness, Thy healing give,
That all the earth may look to Thee and live;
That all the peoples, gathered here, may know
The health and peace that from Thy presence flow.

MAY many tongues acquire one language here,
To tell Thy glory, and promote Thy fear;
Thy Spirit's voice be in the message heard,
And every heart receive the living Word.

Monday 6

Olivet Mission, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss R. E. Beyer.

I SEEK not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.
John v: 30.

Tuesday 7

Olivet Mission, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss Mary D. Foster.

GOD scatters love on every side:
Freely, among his children all:
And always hearts are lying open wide,
Wherein some grains may fall.
J. R. LOWELL.

Wednesday 8

Olivet Mission, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss Grace Coleman.

THERE are in this loud stunning tide
Of human care and crime,
With whom the melodies abide
Of the everlasting chime:
Who carry music in their heart,
Through dusky lane and wrangling mart,
Plying their daily task with busier feet,
Because their secret souls a holy strain repeat.
KEBLE.

Thursday 9

West Division Street School, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss J. E. Fox.

WITH one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.
Phil. i: 27.

Friday 10

West Division Street School, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss M. M. Fox.

EVEN the wisest are long in learning that there is no better work for them than the bit God puts into their hands.
GARRETT.

Saturday 11

West Superior Street School, Chicago, Ill.—
Miss J. Williamson.

SOMETHING, my God, for Thee,
Something for thee;
That each day's setting sun may bring
Some penitential offering;
In Thy dear name some kindness done;
To Thy dear love some wanderer won;
Some trial meekly borne for Thee,
Dear Lord, for Thee.

OUR foreign element, roughly speaking, comprises about four million Germans, three million Irish, two million English and Welsh, about a million from Norway and Sweden, four hundred and sixty thousand from Austria and Hungary, from Italy four hundred thousand, and from Scotland and Russia each about three hundred thousand.

1900 August The Foreigners

IF we let events care for themselves, we are doomed as a Christian people. If we drift with the current, we drift to destruction. If we would ensure our safety as a Christian republic, we must assimilate and Christianize as well as Americanize this heterogenous mass of incoming people.

MRS. A. T. JOHNSON.

Sunday 12

Prayer for a Blessing on the New Work.

THY word is true from the beginning; * * * let Thine hand help me; for I have chosen Thy precepts. Ps. cxix: 160, 173.

Monday 13

Mayaguez, Porto Rico.—Mrs. M. A. Webster.

THUS day and night they are pressing nigh,
With tears and sighs to the heavenly gate,
Where the Watchman stands in His majesty,
With a patience that never has said, "Too late."
Let the sorrowful children of want and sin
Draw near to the gate, whence none depart;
Let the nations arise and enter in,
For the Lord is willing, with all His heart.

Tuesday 14

THE servants are ready to do whatsoever my Lord the King shall appoint. 2 Sam. xv: 15.

The spirit of missions is the spirit of our Master; the very genius of His religion. A diffusive philanthropy is Christianity itself. It requires perpetual propagation to attest its genuineness. DAVID LIVINGSTONE.

Wednesday 15

I EXHORT, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men. 1 Tim. ii; 1.

Thursday 16

New Prague, Minn. (Work among the Bohemians).—Miss M. J. Nouak.

FOR those we love—the poor, the sad,
The sinful—unto Thee we call;
Oh! let Thy mercy make us glad!
Thou art our Jesus and our all:
Through life's long day, and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our light. FABER.

Friday 17

SERVE Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind. 1 Chron. xxviii: 9.

The missionary idea, translated and transfigured into missionary service, is one of the most incontestable evidences of Christ's presence in the world. It is Christ in the presence of His servants, loving and laboring and going about doing good, and touching a sin-stricken world in order to make it whole.

JAMES S. DENNIS, D.D.

Saturday 18

GOD was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them. 2 Cor. v; 19.

IN the "great day" our Judge has said that our sentence will be, "Ye did it," or "Ye did it not." The hungry and thirsty, the sick and the captive here spoken of, are not those only or chiefly who suffer from bodily ills. They are also our poor brothers and sisters in the sickness and bondage of sin. What are the poverty and pain of their brief bodily life to those of the immortal spirit? If the love and faith of Christ are in us, we shall have pity upon them. Christ loves them; their souls are as precious as ours In His awful arraignment of those whose sins of omission have found them out, Christ makes their cause His own and says, "Ye did it not to Me."

Sunday 19

Prayer for the Foreigners Crowded into our Cities.

BUT the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself. Lev. xix : 34.

IN our large cities, we have our "Little Italies," "Little Germanies" "Little Swedens." In the city of New York there are localities where the English language is not spoken, and where the newsstands contain no paper in English, where the shop windows have the significant placards, "English is spoken here."

Monday 20

LOVE as brethren—be pitiful. 1 Pet. iii : 8.

If a man does not believe in the men and women beside him, he will never believe in the God above him. DR. WATSON.

Tuesday 21

GOD is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. Ps. lxxiii : 26.

Centered at the heart of Christ's Gospel is the truth that God lives, that God loves, and that God saves.

CHAS. A. BERRY.

Wednesday 22

WHEN the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. Isa. xli : 17.

Jesus, in the flush of an absolute faith, set Himself the task of stopping the tide, of hushing out of the heart and of the world the unrest and dispeace which have made war on the happiness of the world. He alone has said the voice of sorrow and sighing shall be no more heard in the land.

Thursday 23

Prayer for City Evangelization.

THE late Earl of Shaftesbury said, "If London did not have its four hundred city missionaries, it would require forty thousand more police."

MARITIME PRESBYTERIAN.

Friday 24

THE Gospel must speak *now* to the broken-hearted, and to the lives most bestormed. "He is a very present Help in trouble."

Opportunities to the Christian mean solemn responsibilities.

DAVID LIVINGSTONE.

Saturday 25

NO age since time's beginning holds so intense a consciousness of misery as our age. But the gospel is here to heal, not talk about, the wounds and bleeding sores of the world. It is fittingly called the religion of sorrow, for it is the religion for sorrow.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes. Rev. vii : 17.

EVIDENTLY we are to be a nation of cities. The Atlantic sea-board is already urban. Now the cities are the Meccas of immigrants. There are fifty cities in the United States whose population ranges from 20,000 up into the millions. Of these 17 contain more foreigners than natives. In 38, foreigners with their immediate descendants are in the majority, and in many the foreign element exceeds the native. CARLOS MARTYN.

Sunday 26

Prayer for Guidance in Meeting the Perils which Threaten Our Country from Immigration.

WE beseech Thee, O Christ, continually to strengthen us by a sincere faith in Thee, and grant that we may not lay the foundations of our faith on the sand where the whirlwind may overthrow them, but be established on the rock which is steadfast in Thee. Amen.

Monday 27

THE Lord will not forsake His people for His great name's sake: because it hath pleased the Lord to make you His people.—Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that He will yet deliver us.

Tuesday 28

DARK is the glass through which we see each other,
We may not judge a brother.
We only see the rude and outer strife,
God knows the hidden life.
Where we our voice in condemnation raise,
God may see fit to praise:
And those from whom, like Pharisees, we shrink,
With Christ may eat and drink.

Wednesday 29

YE are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Thursday 30

ONE Master, only one, have we;
His rule is perfect liberty;
His law is love, His love is life;
His service sets us free from strife,
From fear, from self, from sin, from death;
In Him alone we draw free breath;
And, every earthly bondage riven,
At last He makes us free of heaven!

Friday 31

FOR through Him we both have access by one spirit unto the Father. Eph. ii : 18.

September Saturday 1

Forecast and Rally

Prayer for Courage to go Forward.

FORWARD! is the word with which to meet these new opportunities and these enlarged responsibilities. Forward! in our love for humanity. Forward! in our hunger for souls. Forward! in loyalty to the flag, and Forward! above all, in loyalty to the cross. The new opening century calls us to fresh enthusiasm in this work. The new position of our country among the nations calls us, the God of our fathers calls us, to speak more, to pray more, to give more to Christianize America, that America may do her part to Christianize the world.

"Our Land for Christ."

Sunday 2

BLESS the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto Thee do we give thanks: for that Thy name is near Thy wondrous works declare.

Monday 3

SHALL we not then consider the chief object before us during the coming year intercessory prayer? and enter upon it resolutely, after first asking Divine help for strength to undertake it? MRS. D. R. JAMES.

I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me.
Gen. xxxii: 26.

Tuesday 4

PRAYER to God for a deeper missionary consecration. A hunger and thirst for souls.

When Jesus prays for Himself, it is not His own person that He has in view, it is *the work of God* . . . ; when He prays for His apostles, He commends them to God as agents and continuers of this work.

Wednesday 5

PRAYER for deliverance from listlessness and indolence, from neglect of opportunities of doing good, from blindness to our calling, and from reluctance to give as God has prospered us.

"It is not what the Lord receives from us, but what we withhold, that will be the measure of our faithfulness."

Thursday 6

PRAYER that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, that the eyes of your understanding be enlightened.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
Prov. iii: 5.

Friday 7

Prayer for a Greater Appreciation of the Purpose of God for Mankind.

IT is fixed in the everlasting purpose of God that this world is to be converted to Jesus Christ. It is to be brought about mainly by believing prayer. When a man can do nothing else, he can add his little rill to the great river of intercessory prayer which is always rolling up to the throne of God.

Saturday 8

Prayer for Complete Surrender.

THY hand, thy heart, thy brain, thy wealth He needs
To-day! Thy hand to reap, thy heart to love,
Thy brain to plan, thy wealth to cleave the way
Through forests dark and jungles deep; and o'er
The storm-tossed wave to speed his mission band,
His reapers, on to fields as yet unreaped,
Where harvests rich lie waiting for their toil.

Sunday 9

PRAYER for deliverance from all ungenerous, bitter and thankless tempers, from coldness and hardness of heart, from covetousness and the love of this present world.

Turn not Thy face away from me; teach me, O Lord, to do Thy will; teach me to live worthily and humbly in Thy sight. IMITATION OF CHRIST.

Monday 10

IF we will take our orders from our Great Captain to-day the order will be to advance.

Advance through the palmetto groves of the South; advance over the green-bannered heights of the Tennessees; advance over the granite fortresses of the Rockies; advance up to the glacier-gemmed archipelago and the gold-strewn wastes of Alaska; advance to five thousand miles southeast of Alaska, the very eastern tip of the United States, where, on the sands of Porto Rico, the sunrise first kisses the stars and stripes.

Tuesday 11

THE day is *now*, the day in which for Christ.
All labor must be done. Too soon the night
Comes on when toil must cease, and what is then
Ungleaned, forever must lie ungleaned and lost.

Wednesday 12

BEHOLD the spring of the new patriotism.

It flows from beneath Calvary. It rises to its final expression in Christian missions

Thursday 13

WITH the millions of Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines rescued from oppression, looking to us for leadership and example, it is easy to see how the question of home missions looms up as never before. More territory abroad calls for more righteousness at home. Increased responsibility among the nations demands an increase of Christianity beneath our own western skies. Greater America will never be able to bear the strain of its expansion unless it becomes purer America. The appeal of home missions, therefore, to our love of country and love of God was never quite so strong as at the present hour.

Friday 14

AND Moses said unto the Lord, Thou hast said, I know thee by name and thou hast also found grace in My sight. Now, therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in Thy sight show me now Thy way—and consider that this nation is Thy people.

Exodus xxxiii : 12, 13.

And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.

Exodus xxxiii : 14.

Saturday 15

AND there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, *that all people, nations and languages* should serve Him.

Dan. vii : 13, 14.

And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall *all flesh* come to worship before Me, saith the Lord. Isa. lxvi : 23.

Sunday 16

Confession of Sin, for Fullness of the Spirit and for Deeper Consecration.

I will confess against myself mine own unrighteousness. I will confess my weakness unto Thee, O Lord. Strengthen mè with heavenly courage. Teach me to do Thy will.

IMITATION OF CHRIST.

Monday 17

AND here is to be the glory of this nation. It is not in its history, it is not in its wealth, it is not in its vast commerce; the glory of this nation of which you and I are part, is, and is to be more and more distinctly in all the future, in the work it does in furthering the Gospel of Christ, the Gospel of transformation, until the ends of the earth shall have seen the salvation of our Lord.

REV. R. S. STORRS, D D.

Tuesday 18

O HAPPY people that glad obey,
And perish they that say Him nay!
Land, Land of our love, His mercy pray,
Make sure thou follow Him straightway!

Wednesday 19

THE money put into home mission work in the United States is money put close into the foundations of our national life for their upholding and strengthening. "Give for home missions this year as those who realize the Kingdom and the times."

REV. CHAS. L. THOMPSON, D.D.

Thursday 20

MISSIONARY enthusiasm is not merely faith, confidence in God, confidence in His Word; missionary enthusiasm is love for mankind, inspired by and touched with a Divine fire; and where this power of the Spirit of God is there that missionary enthusiasm manifests itself in irresistible energy and efficacy.

REV. R. S. STORRS, D.D.

Friday 21

MARCH on, my soul, nor like a laggard stay!
March swiftly on, yet err not from the way
Where all the nobly wise of old have trod—
The path of faith made by the Sons of God.

HENRY VAN DYKE.

Saturday 22

WE cannot hope for success in our work without much prayer. Let us not forget that prayer is a *spiritual force*. When prayer is wrongly offered, we see the barrenness of its results; when it is uttered aright, and when it is "without ceasing," it "availeth much."

Sunday 23

Prayer for Forgiveness for Past Errors.

IF Thy people return to Thee with all their heart and with all their soul—Then hear Thou from the heavens, even from Thy dwelling place, their prayer and their supplications and maintain their cause, and forgive Thy people which have sinned against Thee.

II Chron. vi : 38, 39.

Monday 24

THE Captain of our salvation summons His Church militant to-day, not to a forlorn hope, but to certain and glorious victory. Oh, that the whole Church with unbroken line might spring forward to offer the *living* sacrifice until the Kingdom is fully come.

Tuesday 25

THE busy world shoves angrily aside
The man who stands with arms akimbo set,
Until occasion tells him what to do;
And he who waits to have his task made out,
Shall die and leave his errand unfulfilled.

—LOWELL.

Wednesday 26

THE ultimate aim of all our work is to lead our race to God. In order to make good Christians we must make them intelligent, in order to do that we must have schools. The school is not the end; it must be made tributary to the church.

DONALD McDONALD, D.D.

Thursday 27

ON the clock of history the hour for missions has sounded. The church, the family, the individual who do not place the duty of conquering new kingdoms to the Lord in the first line of their obligations, abdicate their position.

DR. ROBERT N. CUST.

Friday 28

SISTERS, hark! the Lord is calling,
He has work for us to do;
Long our comrades have been toiling,
Shall we prove to them untrue?
See, the distant light is breaking,
Let us put our armor on;
When the Master calls for waking,
Should we tarry for the morn?

Saturday 29

WE must throw ourselves out upon Home Missions as the first and sublimest Christian duty which the age lays upon us. There can be no other duty at all comparable to the duty of saving our country; none that God so manifestly imposes.

REV. DR. BUSHNELL.

Sunday 30

Prayer that Christians may be "Steadfast, Unmoveable, always Abounding in the Work of the Lord."
Lord Increase our Faith.

TO us first among the ages has come the world-wide opportunity. We front the world, and the power by which we are to work in this effort to accomplish, as far as we may, God's purpose in the world, is the power of the Holy Ghost.

October

Monday 1

The Mormons

American Fork, Utah—Miss Fannie Taylor.

BUT let all those that put their trust in Thee rejoice; let them ever shout for joy, because Thou defendest them; let them also that love Thy name be joyful in Thee.
Ps. v: 11.

Tuesday 2

Benjamin, Utah—Miss N. J. Gray.

IN other worlds we shall more perfectly
Serve Him and love Him, praise Him, work
for Him.
Grow near and nearer Him with all delight;
But then we shall not any more be called
To suffer, which is our appointment here.

Wednesday 3

Brigham, Utah—Mrs. C. E. Sullivan,
Miss C. B. Sullivan.

AS by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.
Rom. v: 19.

Thursday 4

Ephraim, Utah—Miss A. B. Fitts.

THE look of sympathy; the gentle word
Spoken so low that only angels heard;
The secret act of pure self-sacrifice,
Unseen by man, but marked by angels' eyes,
These are not lost.

METCALF.

Friday 5

Fairview, Utah—Miss S. L. McClure,
Miss M. Lamont.

FOR wherein shall it be known here that I and Thy people have found grace in Thy sight? is it not in that Thou goest with us?
Ex. xxxiii: 16.

Saturday 6

Gunnison, Utah—Miss G. B. Morgan. **Hyrum, Utah—Miss H. R. McCracken.**

SUFFERING first, satisfaction afterwards. The fruit of power and peace, gathered out of trial, comes not all at once but gradually. Ripening under a clouded sky, it ripens slowly. You are not to be discouraged by that. Almost all God's spiritual harvests come to maturity in the same silent way.
BISHOP HUNTINGTON.

MORMONISM is mightily entrenched, but before it, in the name of our God we should set up our banners, for "Thou hast given a banner to them that fear Thee that it may be displayed because of the truth." Now is the time for our display. MRS. F. G. PIERSON.

Sunday 7

Kaysville, Utah—Miss Anna Noble, Miss L. T. Granger.

IT is Thine, O blessed Spirit, to lead us in the ways of life. Hold up our goings in this evil world. Where Thou art, there is pleasantness and safe guidance. Lead us on, therefore, Thou steadfast light, from stage to stage of life's journey, till we stand before God, in the life everlasting. We ask it for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday 8

Logan, Utah. (New Jersey Academy — Miss A. L. Burnett, Miss M. Chapin.

COME unto Me,
All ye that labor.
Helping each his neighbor,
Toiling from the dawning
To the set of sun;
Bearing bitter burdens,
Till the day is done.

Tuesday 9

Logan, Utah—Miss M. E. Pomeroy, Miss C. B. McCutchen.

REMAIN side by side with Him who loved us, and gave Himself for us, and you too will become a permanent magnet, a permanently attractive force; and like Him you will draw all men unto you, like Him you will be drawn unto all men. PROF. DRUMMOND.

Wednesday 10

Logan, Utah—Miss H. Jensen, Miss H. E. Elliott.

WHEREFORE, let them that suffer according to the will of God, commit the keeping of their souls to Him in well-doing, as unto a faithful Creator. 1 Peter iv: 19.

Thursday 11

Manti, Utah—Miss M. White.

CHILD of My love, lean hard
And let Me feel the pressure of thy care.
I know thy burden, child; I shaped it,
And ever as I laid it on I said,
"I shall be near, and when she leans on Me
This burden shall be Mine, not hers."

Friday 12

Mendon, Utah—Miss M. H. McCullough.

IT needs, therefore, in us, infinite carefulness and watchfulness as we walk ever amid other lives, lest by some word, or look, or act, or disposition, or influence of ours, we hurt them irreparably.

J. R MILLER.

Saturday 13

Monroe, Utah - Miss M. Beekman.

ACCEPTED in the beloved: in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. Eph. 1: 6, 7.

THIS is not an unimportant field. We are laying the foundations of a great and rich commonwealth, and shaping its character for the future. Infidelity is rampant. Mormons are propagating their diabolical system in every community. The only antidote for their evils is the pure gospel of Christ preached and taught by men of intellectual ability, spiritual power and consistent life. No other church is so able to furnish such men as ours. Our responsibility is measured by our ability and opportunity.
REV. C. L. THOMPSON, D.D.

Sunday 14

Mount Pleasant, Utah (Wasatch Academy)—Mr. G. H. Marshall, Mrs. Emma Hostetter.

USE me, O Lord, I beseech Thee, as the instrument of Thy glory; and honor me so far as, either by doing or suffering what Thou shalt appoint, to bring some revenue of praise to Thee, and of benefit to the world in which I dwell. I ask it for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday 15

Mount Pleasant, Utah—Miss E. C. Herron, Miss A. M. Wymer, Miss M. H. Hemenway.

THOU shall call His name Jesus : for He shall save His people from their sins.
Matt. i : 21.

Tuesday 16

Nephi, Utah—Miss Cora Young.

IS not God *now* in the world His power first made?
Is not His love at issue still with sin
Visibly when a wrong is done on earth?
Love, wrong and pain, what see I else on earth?
Yea, and the Resurrection and Uprise.

Wednesday 17

Parowan, Utah—Miss Mae Kyle, Miss C. Kyle.

NO man is born into this world whose work is not born with him; there is always work, and tools to work withal, for those who will.
JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

Thursday 18

Payson, Utah—Miss M. F. Paden, Miss M. Jensen.

PUT on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
Eph. vi : 11.

Friday 19

Pleasant Grove, Utah—Miss F. Taylor.

ROUSE to some work of high and holy love,
And thou an angel's happiness shalt know,
Shalt bless the earth, while in world above,
The good begun by thee shall onward flow,
In many a branching stream, and wider grow.

Saturday 20

Richfield—Miss L. M. Dienst.
Richmond—Miss N. Jamison.

IT is the silliest of delusions to fancy you could do better in any position than that God has put you in.
BISHOP FRASER.

WE are in the vortex of the home mission battle, which must be successfully fought or the Mormon propaganda will plant ten or twelve senators in the Congress of the United States. We want the Church to realize these tremendous facts and stir herself accordingly. Our mission schools should be multiplied until every community has been reached by their leavening influence.

Sunday 21

Salina, Utah—Miss B. Walker, Miss J. T. Buchanan.

O LORD Jesus Christ, be thou near us to defend us, within us to refresh us, around us to preserve us, before us to guide us, behind us to justify us, and above us to bless us. Amen.

Monday 22

Salt Lake City, (Collegiate Institute)—
Mr. Robert J. Caskey.

FOR God has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Wherefore comfort yourselves together. 1 Thess. v: 9, 10, 11.

Tuesday 23

Salt Lake City, (Collegiate Institute)—
Miss A. E. Murphy, Miss K. S. Smith.

ART tired? There is rest remaining. Hast thou sinned?
There is a sacrifice. Lift up thy head.
The lovely world and the over-world alike
Ring with a song eternal, a happy rede,
"Thy Father loves thee."

JEAN INGELOW.

Wednesday 24

Salt Lake City, (Collegiate Institute)—
Miss G. S. Zorbaugh, Miss A. M. Furry.

AND he that overcometh * * * to him will I give power. Rev. ii: 26.

Thursday 25

Salt Lake City, (Collegiate Institute)—
Miss M. S. Morgan, Miss H. M. Wishard.

HE that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels.

Rev. iii: 5.

Friday 26

Springville Utah, (Hungerford Academy)—
Mr. I. N. Smith, Mrs. Smith.

FAITH is the golden thread on which we string,
For offering,
Our feeble deeds of poor self-sacrifice:
Unworthy gifts! yet, in His grace, the King
Accounts them pearls of price.

A. E. H.

Saturday 27

Springville, Utah, (Hungerford Academy)—
Miss M. L. Linn, Mrs. A. N. Todd,
Miss F. C. Buckbee

AND I will give him the morning star. Rev. ii: 28.

EVERY faithful worker shall have the Lord Jesus for his own, to be the light and life of life; and shall have power over the nations, too, to bring them back to God.

Rev. iii: 1-5.

Sunday 28

Smithfield, Utah—Miss E. Moore.

LORD give me light to do Thy work,
For only, Lord, from Thee
Can come the light by which these eyes
The way of work can see.
—BONAR.

Wellsville, Utah—Miss S. L. Melling.

THE work is Thine, not mine O Lord
It is Thy race we run;
Give light, and then shall all I do,
Be well and truly done. —BONAR.

Monday 29

Malad, Idaho—Miss I. Griffith, Mrs. M. Nelson.

THOSE who hold fast the name of Jesus in the midst of dangers and idolatries or of false doctrines, shall eat of the bread of heaven, the hidden manna, and shall receive the white stone and the new name; a secret of love between the soul and its Savior.

Tuesday 30

Malad, Idaho—Miss M. Jones.
Paris, Idaho—Miss T. Stalkee.

ANOTHER reward to patient Christian workers is deliverance from temptation. They shall not fall; Christ will strengthen them to the end, and will gather them home to the city of God, and make them pillars in the living temple, and they shall go no more out.

Wednesday 31

Samaria, Idaho—Miss M. Stanley.

LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us.
Is. xxvi : 12.

Franklin, Idaho—Miss B. Johnson.

MY beloved is mine, and I am His.
Song of Solomon, ii : 16.

HERE, then, is a work for the great Christian Church of America, in all its various branches and denominations. Surely the Christ-Spirit which abides in every true Christian will not permit us to stop at any sacrifice which may be necessary for us to make in order to honor our Divine Master and save those who are being led astray by false teachers.

November

The Mexicans

Thursday 1

Almosa Canon, Colorado—Miss Petra Gomez.

O SMALL beginnings, ye are great and strong,
Based on a faithful heart and weariless brain;
Ye build the future fair, ye conquer wrong.
Ye earn the crown, and wear it not in vain.
—LOWELL.

Ignacio—Mr. A. J. Rodriguez, Miss G. Hileman.

EACH human heart from out the strong
May bring the hidden sweetness,
By trusting Him who wields the wrong
To work the right's completeness.

Friday 2

San Juan—Miss M. Clements.

WE glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience, and experience, hope. Rom. v: 3, 4.

Saturday 3

San Pablo—Mrs. W. C. Buell.

AND if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity and thy darkness be as the noonday.

THOUGH these people have dwelt for three and a half centuries within the borders of the United States of America they are less American to-day than the Aborigines. Next to the Mormons they are the most nearly Oriental. They have never caught step with the march of progress. They are alien in their ideas of citizenship, Roman in their religion, crude in their manner of life and void of aspiration toward anything useful.

Sunday 4

NEW MEXICO.

Albuquerque (Boarding School for Boys)—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ross.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, in Thy loving-kindness to pour Thy holy light into our souls: that we may ever be devoted to Thee, by whose wisdom we were created and by whose providence we are governed. We ask it for Christ's sake. Amen.

Monday 5

Albuquerque, N. M.—Miss A. D. McNair, Miss J. Morrow.

MY meditation of Him shall be sweet. —My beloved is . . . the chiefest among ten thousand.—A chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.

Tuesday 6

Albuquerque, N. M.—Miss S. B. Sutherland, Miss E. M. Smith, Miss C. M. Cameron.

NOW, the long and tiresome duty,
Stone by stone to carve and bring,
Afterward the perfect beauty
Of the palace of the King.

Wednesday 7

Arroyo Hondo, N. M.—Miss Anne Crowthers.

WE'LL keep our aims sublime, our eyes erect,
Although our woman hands should shake and fail.

MRS. BROWNING.

Thursday 8

Arroyo Seco, N. M.—Mr. J. Mondragon.

THEIR Redeemer is strong; the Lord of hosts is his name: he shall thoroughly plead their cause.—My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

Friday 9

Canon Bonito, N. M.—Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hall.

WHEN waves of doubt within my heart are swelling,
And seem almost to ring faith's final knell,
There comes a soft and heavenly whisper telling
That Jesus has the helm, and "All—all's well."

Saturday 10

Chaperito, N. M.—(Frances Bray Mission), Miss A. A. Blake.

BE content to be a child, and let the Father proportion out daily to thee what light, what power, what exercises, what straits, what fears, what troubles He sees fit for thee.

I. A. PENNINGTON.

Romanists and Mexicans

TAKING the Mexicans as a whole they remind one of a flock of sheep following blindly one moment and scattering wildly the next.

Sunday 11

BLESSED Lord Jesus, who camest to destroy the works of the devil, and to make us heirs of everlasting life, grant us grace to live so near to Thee every day in the path of duty that we may begin the Heavenly life here, which shall be ours forever hereafter. Amen.

Monday 12

El Rito, N. M.—Mrs. Anna Ferguson.

AND who is he that would harm you if ye be zealous of that which is good? But and if ye should suffer for righteousness sake, blessed are ye. 1 Peter iii : 13, 14.

Tuesday 13

Embudo, N. M.—Miss K. Kennedy.

NOW, the sowing and the weeping,
Working hard and waiting long,
Afterward, the golden reaping;
Harvest home and grateful song.

Wednesday 14

La Costilla, N. M.—Miss Anna Melton.

WE must become so pure in heart—and it needs much practice—that we shall see God. That explains life—why God puts man in the crucible and makes him pure by fire. HENRY DRUMMOND.

Thursday 15

Las Cruces, N. M.—Mrs. C. R. Donnelly, Miss M. J. Donnelly, Miss A. Wikinson.

IS not this the fast that I have chosen? . . . is it not to deal Thy bread to the hungry, and that Thou bring the poor that are cast out to Thy house? Isa. lviii : 6, 7.

Friday 16

Las Vegas, N. M.—Mrs. E. M. Bryce.

AND the king shall answer and say unto them, verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me. Matt. xxv : 40.

Saturday 17

Los Lentes, N. M.—Miss M. Fleming.

TAKE up the Christian's burden—
Send light across the path
Of oppression, deep and baleful,
And the light of aftermath
Shall shine from God on you—
Be quick the work to do.

MISS E. J. BRYANT.

1900 November Romanists and Mexicans.

ROMANISM makes all of the Church, Protestantism makes all of Christ. The one measures Christianity by Catholicity; the other measures Catholicity by Christianity. E. DE LAVELEYE.

Sunday 18

Pajarito, N. M.—Miss Kate Scott.

O GOD, who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit, grant us to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in holy comfort, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Monday 19

Penasco and Rio Pueblo, N. M.—Miss L. M. Zuver.

BY Mercy shalt thou be sustained and carried through all those difficulties that shall assault thee in thy way; till thou shalt come thither where thou shalt look the fountain of mercy in the face with comfort. JOHN BUNYAN.

Tuesday 20

Placitas, N. M.—Miss C. E. Fenton.

AS God leads me, so my heart
In faith shall rest,
No grief nor fear my soul shall part
From his dear breast.
In sweet belief I know
Which way my life doth go—
Since God permitteth so—
That must be best.
L. GEDIEKE.

Wednesday 21

Raton, N. M.—Miss B. Menaul.

GOD is a kind Father. He sets us all in the places where He wishes us to be employed; and that employment is truly "Our Father's business." J. RUSKIN.

Thursday 22

Socorro, N. M.—Mrs. K. M. Sleight.

UNLESS the Lord had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.
Ps. xciv : 17.

Taos, N. M.—Miss R. Rowland.

THOU art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake, lead me and guard me. Ps. xxxi : 3.

Friday 23

Taos El Prado, N. M.—Miss E. W. Craig, Miss L. Craig.

AND everywhere, here and always,
If we would but open our eyes,
We should find through these beaten footpaths
Our way into Paradise.

Dull earth would be dull no longer,
The clod would sparkle—a gem;
And our hands at their commonest labor
Would be building Jerusalem.
LUCY LARCOM.

Saturday 24

Ranchos El Taos, N. M.—Miss A. Hyson, Miss H. A. Benham.

LET them acquainted be, too, how they are beloved of their king, under His care, what goodly mansions for them He provides, though they meet with rough winds and swelling tides. JOHN BUNYAN.

OUR Church has attempted no aggressive movement against the Catholic Church or its communities as such. But we have instituted a rescue work for the ignorant, the neglected and depraved among the Mexicans in the Southwest, just as we have in Utah, in Alaska, among the Indians, among the mountains of the South and in the slums of the cities.

Sunday 25

Santa Fe, N. M. (Boarding School for Girls)—Miss M. L. Allison, Miss L. A. Hayes.

ARM us, O Lord, with Thy Spirit, encourage us with Thy presence, and let us feel the effectual working of Thy power, which is ever made perfect through weakness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 26

Santa Fe, N. M.—Miss L. P. Moore, Miss E. Moore.

BEHOLD, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear.

Is. lix : 1.

Tuesday 27

Santa Fe, N. M.—Miss A. Brengle, Miss L. F. Jones.

FOR to the faithful there is no such thing
As disappointment; failures only bring
A gentle pang, as peacefully they say
His purpose stands, though mine has passed away.

Wednesday 28

Santa Fe, N. M.—Miss E. Brown, Miss M. B. Morrow.

STRENGTHENED with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness.

Col. i : 11.

Thursday 29

Los Angeles, California—Miss M. Cameron, Miss I. L. Boone.

ALL is fulfilling, all is working still
To teach thee flexibility of will;
To great achievements let thy wishes soar
Yet meek submission pleases Christ still more.

Friday 30

LET us pray for young struggling Protestant New Mexico, raised up by Christian training, pleading for its sin-beleaguered brotherhood, hidden away by thousands in neglected valleys of the Rocky Mountain districts, as dangerous to soul health as the trenches in front of Santiago. "Be pitiful O God! Be pitiful, O women of our churches! Put your energy into those plaza schools that teach Christ, and those three boarding schools at Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Los Angeles. They are Red Cross hospitals for the moral and spiritual nature."

December

Saturday 1

The Mountaineers

THE Mountain problem is one of national concern. These people are the "Wards of the Nation." If we will do half as much for them as we did for the West, half as much as we have done for the Negro, they will be saved from corrupting influences, and become a substantial addition to the wealth and worth of the nation.

THE home is ever the citadel and when captured the country is at our command, for where Christian homes are created, pure and undefiled religion will prevail, education will be sought and secured, diligence and consequent comfort will be the rule and out of these mountains will come the ideal citizen and Christian.

C. HUMBLE.

Sunday 2

Asheville, North Carolina (Normal and Collegiate)—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Lawrence, Miss Sara Birkman.

THINE is the day, O Lord, and Thine is the night: grant that the sun of righteousness may abide in our hearts, to drive away all the darkness of sin or of sorrow, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Monday 3

Asheville N. C.—Miss M. K. Dixon, Miss P. A. Clark, Miss M. E. Harper, Miss R. B. Marshall.

IN the day-time also He led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire. Ps. lxxviii: 14.

Tuesday 4

Asheville, N. C.—Miss J. M. Wortman, Miss M. M. Young, Miss I. K. Hubbard, Miss C. M. Ford.

YE who your Lord's commission bear,
His way of mercy to prepare;
Angels He calls ye; be your strife
To lead on earth an angel's life. KEBLE.

Wednesday 5

Asheville, N. C.—Miss E. Hubbard, Miss E. Gist, Miss L. H. Mechling, Miss E. C. Bickerstaffe.

AND the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle to all, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing them that oppose themselves. 2 Tim. ii: 25.

Thursday 6

Asheville, N. C. (Home Industrial) — Miss F. Stephenson, Miss I. A. Heydenburk, Miss M. Johns, Miss S. E. Johnston.

TO him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written which no man knoweth, saving he that receives it. Rev. ii: 17.

Friday 7

Asheville, N. C.—Miss F. L. Allison, Miss I. L. Williams, Miss A. E. Coe, Miss R. D. Dean.

O GOD of Love! give us calm pitying eyes,
And sweetest patience. Let us also see
The glory and the grace that underlies
Each human life, that waits a touch from Thee.

Saturday 8

Asheville, N. C. (Farm School)—Rev. F. M. Fox, Rev. G. S. Baskervill, Mr. J. H. Newman, Mr. H. H. McCampbell.

THE Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God, thy glory. Is. lx: 19.

WHAT brought the mountaineers into their present condition? Their ancestors being too poor or too conscientious to hold slaves, were, more than one hundred years ago, forced back to the mountains by the slaveholding planters of the seaboard and isolated there, and deprived of schools and churches. The present generation have grown up in ignorance of their rights and duties as American citizens.
J. R. GILMORE.

Sunday 9

Asheville, N. C. (Farm School)—Miss A. McArthur, Miss O. Dunham, Miss F. Redway, Miss E. B. Williams, Miss E. M. Smock, Miss I. A. Custer, Miss E. L. Sitton.

GRANT to us, Lord, that we, being called by Thy holy word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfill Thy commandments, and endeavor also to draw others unto Thee; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday 10

Allenstand, N. C.—Miss F. L. Goodrich, Miss D. Merchant.

I THANK him that enabled me, even Christ Jesus our Lord, for that he counted me faithful, appointing me to His service.

Tuesday 11

Big Laurel, N. C.—Miss E. A. Newman, Miss C. Jenkins.

GIVE me a faithful heart,
Likeness to Thee,
That each departing day
Henceforth may see
Some work of love begun,
Some deed of kindness done,
Some wanderer sought and won,
Something for Thee.

Wednesday 12

Brittain's Cove, N. C.—Miss E. Gorbold, Miss E. M. Brown.

OH that we could understand how deep Christ went for all the help and teaching that He gave! Out of the darkness of the wilderness came the light of the temple. Out of the darkness of the tomb came the light of the resurrection.

Thursday 13

Concord, N. C. (Laura Sunderland)—Miss M. Montgomery, Miss A. N. Bryan.

YE are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.
Matt. v : 14, 15.

Friday 14

Concord, N. C. (Laura Sunderland)—Miss D. P. Hervey, Miss H. Goss, Miss C. J. Crump.

WHAT matters it where the feet stand or wherewithal the hands are busy, so that it is the spot where God has put you, and the work that He has given you to do?

Saturday 15

Patterson's Mills, N. C.—Miss M. E. McCartney, Miss J. Gourley.

YET not without a guide I wend
My unseen way, by day, by night;
Close by my side there walks a Friend,
Strong, tender, true,—I trust his sight:
He sees my way, before, behind,
Though I am blind.

Sunday 16

Hot Springs, N. C. (Dorland Institute)—Rev. F. A. McGaw, Miss J. E. Phillips.

STRENGTHEN our faith, O Jesus, that we may look to Thee as the Life, the Truth and the Way. Give us unwavering trust in Thee, that our souls may be forever enlightened by Thy heavenly light. Amen.

Monday 17

Hot Springs, N. C. (Dorland Institute)—Miss A. Phillips, Miss C. B. Pond, Miss A. M. Watson.

THANK God every morning that you have something to do that day which must be done whether you like it or not. Being forced to work and to do your best will breed in you a hundred virtues which the idle never know. CHARLES KINGSLEY.

Tuesday 18

Hot Springs, N. C. (Dorland Institute)—Miss L. Pomeroy, Miss D. Pomeroy, Miss H. M. Harger.

SOW to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.
Hosea x: 12.

Wednesday 19

Jupiter, N. C.—Miss O. Gates, Miss M. R. Bradshaw, Miss M. C. Atwater.

IF He who doth in secret see,
Approve our work, small need have we
Of earthly fame or eulogy.

Grant only, Lord, that in Thy sight
We walk as children of the light,
And 'neath Thy banner bravely fight.

Thursday 20

Gahagan's, N. C.—Miss A. Harris.

AND taught them how they should fear the Lord. 2 Kings xvii: 28.

Marshall, N. C.—Mr. E. E. Allen, Miss M. Jenks.

YE are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

Friday 21

Paint Rock, N. C.—Miss H. C. Dailey, Miss H. L. Cougle.

REST in the Lord, wait patiently for Him. In Hebrew, be silent to God, and let Him mould thee. Keep still, and He will mould thee in the right shape.
MARTIN LUTHER.

Saturday 22

Riceville, N. C.—Miss O. Henrichs, Miss F. Henrichs.

DAILY I find the promise true
For loss to bear, or work to do;
Crooked or rough the path may be,
Yet seems it just the best for me:
The one my Father's love hath planned,
To bring me to the better land.

Sunday 23

Valdese, N. C.—Miss M. Knox, Miss E. C. Abbott.

FOR thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, in returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and confidence shall be your strength. Is. xxx: 15.

Monday 24

Walnut Springs, N. C.—Mrs. A. M. Logan, Miss M. Moore.

I THE Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee. Is. xlii: 6.

Christmas Day—Tuesday 25

BE not afraid for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy.
Luke ii: 10.

TENNESSEE.

Elizabethton—Rev. J. J. Loux.
Mrs. N. F. Wilson.
Miss E. Wilson.

Erwin—Miss L. Coleman.
Grassy Cove—Miss L. A. Bradshaw.
Kismet—Miss M. L. Remington.

THEN let every heart keep its Christmas within,
Christ's pity for sorrow, Christ's hatred of sin,
Christ's care for the weakest, Christ's courage for right,
Christ's dread of the darkness, Christ's love of the light,
Everywhere, everywhere Christmas to-night!

Wednesday 26

Vardy, Tenn.—Miss A. B. Miller, Miss M. Axtell.

IT is not ye that speak, but the spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.
Matt. x: 20.

Flag Pond—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lindsay, Miss M. Moore.
Willhites—Miss R. Hadden.

OTHER foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Christ Jesus. 1 Cor. iii: 11.

Thursday 27

Harlan, Kentucky—

Rev. W. C. Clemens, Miss O. A. Koenig,
Miss O. M. Reed, Miss D. B. Osborne.

NOW, the pruning, sharp, unsparing,
Scattered blossoms, bleeding shoot,
Afterwards the plenteous bearing
Of the Master's pleasant fruit.

Friday 28

Crockettsville, Ky.—Miss M. Cort.
Hindman, Ky.—Miss S. Crawford.

IN the armory, which their Lord provided, were the sword, shield, helmet, breastplate all-prayer, and shoes that would not wear out.

JOHN BUNYAN.

Saturday 29

Hyden, Ky.—Rev. J. A. Walton, Miss E. Bradshaw.
Pikeville, Ky.—Rev. J. F. Record.

THE love of Christ is the great motive to missions; not our love to Christ, nor even Christ's love to us, but Christ's love in us, going out towards the lost.

A. H. STRONG, D. D.

Sunday

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WEST VIRGINIA.

Wyoma—Miss B. A. R. Stocker.

O GOD, we pray for all those whose feet are not set in the paths of righteousness; take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy word: and grant at last that they may be true followers of the Good Shepherd for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Clear Creek—Miss E. J. Partridge, Miss K. Doan.

LOOK down from heaven, O Christ, on Thy flock and lambs, and bless their bodies and souls. Grant those who have received Thy sign, O Christ, on their foreheads to be Thine own in the day of judgment. Amen.

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Jarrold's Valley—Miss M. B. Newcomb, Miss E. A. Jackson.

BECAUSE of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the dayspring from on high shall visit us, to shine upon them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death; to guide our feet in the way of peace.

Luke i : 78, 79 (Rev. Ver.)

Acme—Miss M. P. Spencer.

AND when the chief Shepherd shall be manifested, ye shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

1 Peter v : 4 (Rev. Ver.)

Winona—Miss D. Weaver.

I LOVE my Shepherd's voice,
His watchful eyes shall keep
My wandering soul among
The thousands of His sheep ;
He feeds His flock; He calls their names;
His bosom bears the tender lambs.

ISAAC WATTS.

THE mountain region of the South is one of God's grand divisions—larger than New England—and a portion of our kindred went into this region just after the revolution and fell into a Rip Van Winkle sleep. They had no Erie Canal, no water-ways to keep them in touch with progress. We have received the newer gifts of science and advancement while they are still living in the conditions of the colonial times.

The question lies in thoughtful minds whether there are enough true Americans to guide the Republic. A little education will give us a reinforcement of three million vigorous Protestant, patriotic citizens, in these Southern mountains.

FOR this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye . . . may be able . . . to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge! Eph. iii: 14-19.

I SAW in the night visions and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven. . . . And there was given Him dominion and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations and languages, should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed! Dan. vii: 13, 14.